# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

#### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Plaintiff,

Honorable Stephen J Murphy III

-vs-

DR RAJENDRA BOTHRA

Case No 18-cr-20800

Defendant,

# RESPONSE AND BRIEF IN OPPOSITION TO JOINT MOTION TO CONTINUE AND DETERMINE EXCLUDABLE DELAY

NOW COMES the Defendant, DR RAJENDRA BOTHRA, by his attorneys, ALAN T ROGALSKI and ARTHUR JAY WEISS, and for his Response in Opposition to Joint Motion to Continue and Determine Excludable Delay, respectfully says unto this Honorable Court as follows:

- 1. DR RAJENDRA BOTHRA does not contest the allegations contained in Paragraph 1.
- 2-4. In response to the allegations contained in Paragraphs 2 through 4, inclusive, Dr Bothra respectfully proffers "[t]he principle that '[g]overnment is not free to disregard the [Constitution] in times of crisis' applies in full force during this pandemic. *Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn* v *Cuomo*, —US—, 141 S Ct

63, 69, —L Ed 2d—(2020) (Gorsuch, J, concurring)," *United States* v *Henning*, — F Supp 3d—, 2021 WL 222355 \*4 (CD Cal 1/19/21).

- 5-6. In response to the allegations contained in Paragraphs 5 and 6, Dr Bothra respectfully proffers the current pandemic cannot justify an endless stream of "ends of justice," 18 USC § 3161 (h) (7) (A) and (B) (i), continuances, see, e g, United States v Henning, supra, 2021 WL 222355 at \*9; Kurtenbach v Howell, 2020 WL 7695578 \*\*5-6 (D SD 12/28/20); see also, United States v Moran, 998 F 2d 1368, 1370-1372 (6th Cir 1993).
  - 7. Dr Bothra acknowledges he opposes the pertinent Joint Motion.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, DR RAJENDRA BOTHRA, respectfully prays this Honorable Court Deny the Joint Motion to Continue and Determine Excludable Delay.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

ARTHUR JAY WEISS, co-counsel of record for DR RAJENDRA

BOTHRA, a Defendant in the above-entitled matter, hereby Certifies that on the

17th day of May 2021 he served all counsel of record a copy of Response and

Brief in Opposition to Joint Motion to Continue and Determine Excludable Delay
and Certificate of Service relative to the above-entitled matter by electronic means.

/s/ Arthur Jay Weiss
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